

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. When strikethrough cannot easily be perceived, or when five or fewer characters are deleted, [[double brackets]] are used to show the deletion. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 3-5 and 10 and CANCEL claims 11 and 12 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A server for performing a process corresponding to requests from a plurality of clients, the server comprising:
 - environment setting information storing means for storing environment setting information ~~regarding in relation to~~ each client;
 - client specifying means for specifying, ~~in the case of when~~ a request for a process ~~having been is~~ made from a predetermined client, the client which made the request;
 - environment setting means for obtaining environment setting information corresponding ~~to a the~~ client specified by the client specifying means from the environment setting information storing means and setting ~~the a~~ corresponding environment;
 - processing means for performing ~~a the~~ process corresponding to the request based on the ~~basis of an~~ environment set by the environment setting means; and
 - client state information storing means for storing information indicating a state of each client, where when ~~a the~~ request for ~~a the~~ process is made from a client having the use of which ~~is prohibited by~~ information stored in the client state information storing means indicative of a prohibited use, the processing means executes an operation to reserve ~~reserves the~~ performance of the process; and
 - ~~wherein~~ the client specifying means specifies the client by referring to information included in a packet sent from the client.
2. (ORIGINAL) The server according to claim 1, wherein the environment setting information depends on a using environment for each client.
3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The server according to claim 1, wherein the clients are used by one or more users, ~~further wherein~~ and the environment setting information includes

~~both~~ information which depends on a using environment for each client and information which depends on each user, ~~further wherein~~ and the environment setting means sets an environment in compliance with ~~both the~~ information which depends on ~~a the~~ using environment for each client and the information which depends on each user.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The server according to claim 1, further comprising:
environment setting information inputting means for accepting input of the environment setting information from ~~the~~ a client side.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The server according to claim 1, wherein the environment setting information ~~inputting means accepts~~ is stored and/or set only environment information when input by an authorized user.

6. (CANCELLED)

7. (CANCELLED)

8. (ORIGINAL) The server according to claim 1, wherein the client specifying means specifies the client by referring to an address given to the client.

9. (CANCELLED)

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable record medium recording a server program for performing a process corresponding to requests from a plurality of clients, the program executing operations, comprising ~~the functions of~~:

~~environment setting information storing means for storing~~ environment setting information regarding in relation to each client;

~~client specifying means for specifying, in the case of~~ when a request for a process having ~~been~~ is made from a predetermined client, the client which made the request;

~~environment setting means for obtaining~~ environment setting information corresponding to the client specified by ~~the client specifying means~~ from the stored environment setting information ~~storing means and setting the~~ a corresponding environment;

~~processing means for performing a~~ the process corresponding to the request based on ~~the basis of an environment set by the environment setting means; and~~

~~client state information storing means for storing information indicating a state of each client, where an operation to reserve performance of the process is executed when a~~the ~~request for a~~the ~~process is made from a client the use of which is prohibited by~~having ~~information stored in the client state information storing means, the processing means reserves the performance of the process;~~indicative of a prohibited use, and

~~wherein the client specifying means specifies the client~~is specified ~~by referring to information included in a packet sent from the client.~~

11. (CANCELLED)

12. (CANCELLED)